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SUBJ: DOMINICA INQUIRY RE AID'S UWI LOAN

1. JAMES FINUCANE, USCIT ACTING AS FINANCIAL ADVISER TO DOMINICA'S PREMIER PATRICK JOHN, CALLED EMBASSY 4/16 ON BEHALF OF PREMIER TO INQUIRE WHETHER ANY PORTION AID LOAN FOR UWI NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION COULD BE USED TO PROVIDE RELIEF FOR LDC'S IN ARREARS ON THEIR UWI PAYMENTS. FINUCANE SAID HE AND HIS WIFE HAD DISCUSSED WITH WILLIAM MILLER AND DR JAMES SMITH OF AID/W IN WASHINGTON POSSIBILITY OF US AID FUNDS FOR UWI BEING USED TO COVER IN WHOLE OR IN PART SUMS OWED BY STATES SUCH AS DOMINICA TO UWI. HE POINTED OUT THAT GOD WAS NOW OVER \$500,000 IN ARREARS AND WAS UNABLE TO SEND ANY STUDENTS TO UWI UNLESS SUCH STUDENTS COULD THEMSELVES COVER ECONOMIC COSTS OF THEIR EDUCATION. FINUCANE SAID HE HAD WRITTEN TO AID PERSONNEL ABOVE IN EARLY MARCH FOR CLARIFICATION BUT HAD RECEIVED NO RESPONSE.

2. ECONOFF OUTLINED US AID POLICIES OF ASSISTANCE ON REGIONAL BASIS AND EXPRESSED VIEW THAT IT WAS UNLIKELY THAT AID FUNDS COULD BE USED IN THIS FASHION BUT PROMISED TO SEND INQUIRY TO AID FOR DEFINITIVE REPLY.

ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE AID'S CLARIFYING MATTER SO THAT WE CAN RESPOND TO GOD QUERY.

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